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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: John R. Cochran, III  
Chief Deputy Director

SUBJECT: **RE-OPENING OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.,  
HOSPITAL – RESPONSES TO REQUEST FOR  
SOLUTIONS**

This memo updates the status of responses to the Request for Solutions (RFS) released by the Department of Health Services to solicit proposals for operators to re-open Martin Luther King, Jr., Hospital (MLK). The RFS had two pathways for response, a direct discussion with the consultant conducting the RFS process, Hammes Company (Hammes), and submission of proposals to Hammes.

Four organizations indicated that they intended to submit proposals to Hammes for the operation of MLK. Interested organizations were required to submit their responses by 5pm on November 5, 2007. By this deadline Hammes received responses from five organizations:

1. Black Foundation/Care Group International
2. Pacific Hospital of Long Beach
3. Temple Community Hospital
4. SSB Solutions
5. BENGODWIN Realty (Surgical Development Partners)

In addition to the organizations who submitted proposals, three organizations are following the second pathway, conducting direct discussions with Hammes after being requested to participate by the Board of Supervisors. The three organizations that are continuing their discussions with Hammes and the County are:

1. Catholic Healthcare West (CHW)
2. Daughters of Charity
3. University of California

The next step in the RFS process will be for Hammes to review the submitted responses, seek additional information if needed, and make recommendations to the County by November 14, 2007 for operators who meet the criteria for advancing to the next steps.

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c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
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